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HAS THE GREAT REPUBLICAN SHIP OF THIS COUNTRY LOST ITS ANCHOR?

Will the 2,586,341 Negro Voters of the United States Accept the Roosevelt Candidate for President.

Throughout this country a great throbbing of hearts and righteous indignation went up from eleven million Black Souls at a great wrong done our race. Theo. Roosevelt president of these United States at one stroke of his dictatorial pen; with a few short words from his sovereign mouth order the discharge of three Negro companies of the 25th Infantry. Not since the time of Peter the Great has such a thing been done. Man can search history from the very dawning of Egyptian History on the Delta of the Nile, or through the flight of time to England's rustic period from the time of King Alfred. Man can study the history of the Goths, Ostrogoths or the rude Germanic tribes of Europe and find to parallel. You can study France during the time of Charlemagne the great general or find Rome's brilliant period and history will tell you that the Romans were authorities on military regulations. Let us go even farther into history and we see Napoleon the great military genius studying and learning from Rome's military rules on army regulations.

Could the act be consistently done and conform with the world's past history concerning armies and their regulations. Not since the signing of the Gagne Charta by King John, or the Bill of Rights by King William, or the Constitution of Clarendon or the Declaration of Independence giving into the great body of people their rights; has such actions been taken by one man alone. With one stroke of the pen Abraham Lincoln struck the chains from the legs of 1 million slaves. Theo. Roosevelt with one stroke of the pen has established a precedence which if carried on by other white men will put the Negro forever in the chains of political slavery.

England had her period of national difficulties. Hampden and Cromwell rose up as leaders to cool the boiling water. Over the ruins of France's Reign of Terror, Napoleon built an empire and raised an ocean tide that the combined powers of the world could not stem, until God who ruleth over all spoke the word, and quietness reigned upon the ocean. Rome in all her splendor sank beneath the setting sun of history. The mighty Caesar fell. The birth of liberty in America was during the period of King George's Dictatorial Reign. America with its liberty loving people is the Garden spot of the World. Must liberty's flag be hurled to the ground. The very army which on every occasion has so valiantly marched to the front for liberty's sake has been disgraced.

From its ranks the Black Boys have been discharged without honor. By one stroke of the Regal Pen of Theo. Roosevelt the old soldiers of the 25th Infantry have been dismissed. No more will they hear the bugle sound, but like the Jew who was given a curse by Jesus when he was bearing his cross up Mount Calvary they must wander through the world forsaken by men; with a stigma forever upon their character. Eleven million Negroes have been struck a blow that time itself can hardly eradicate. Is this country drifting into a period of Imperialism. The power who is at the head of this very nation has made the first move.

Negroes your manhood has been assailed. Blood is what counts. Crispus Attucks stained Boston Commons with some of the purest blood that ever has flowed from human soul. History repeats itself. Where is the Negro leader that has long been sought. Let him come forth. Can he rear monument that will endure to the

end of time? Negroes can you realize the blow which you have been struck. In a few months a great political campaign will sweep this country. Like some great monster of the sea shall swallow whole the men caught in the vortex of the stream. The Great Old Republican Ship sails proudly on, but it has lost its anchor. 2,586,341 Negro voters are about to cut the rope that holds them to the ship and let her drift. As long as the sea is calm there is no need of an anchor, but as soon as the storm arises, and the fierce winds begin to blow, the waves begin to lash the sides of the ship, and she is tossed about what will become of her. Without her anchor she is lost. Theo. Roosevelt as the Pilot may keep her rudder straight, but he cannot check her course. She is drifting on the breaker or she will land high up on the shoal, where the waves will tear her to pieces. Theo. Roosevelt you have cut the chain that holds the anchor. With all your great deeds, the one great act against the Black Race will like Banquo's Ghost appear to haunt you in your glory. The evil that men do live after them, and the good is oft interred with their bones.

Spartacus the leader of the Roman gladiators address them at Capua and urged them to stand for Liberty. Savonarola stood against the De Medici. Garibaldi stood for Italy's liberty. Mirabeau spoke for France; Fox, Burke, and Wm. Pitt spoke for England. Patrick Henry cried out for America "Give me Liberty, or give me death." He spoke the words, but a Negro performed the deed. Crispus Attucks died to give this country liberty. Fred Douglass the distinguished American Negro said, "The Republican party is the ship, all else the sea." But faithful Negro followers of the Republican Party don't you know that President Roosevelt has cut the anchor from the ship. Whither is it drifting?

The Eleven Million Negroes of this country are on trial before the Bar of Justice. The mighty and proud Anglo-Saxon race is the judge. The entire world represents the court. What are the charges, is the Negro accused of inability to keep pace with this civilization. Is it too weak for competition. And He has not made enough progress in 44 years. Is it subordination to superiors officers and general deficiency. Who are the lawyers for the Negroes? Every Negro who calls himself a leader. Who is the leading counsel? That question is yet to be settled there is a consultation going on among the attorneys to elect him. Now proud Anglo-Saxon Race acting as the Judge mete out unto your Black Brother Justice. In pronouncing your sentence upon our head do not order that we should be swept from the face of history or starved into submission. If this be your decree then we will appeal our case to the Supreme Court in the form of God the Almighty Father. The moment that trump oppressors believe that they have forever taken the reign of tyranny into their own hands its is restored by the Almighty. Know ye what proceeds? The heart rendering cry of humanity. There comes the incoherent accusation that causes men to tremble and turn pale. Therefore Anglo-Saxon Race give unto us mercy.

The quality of mercy is not strained. It droppeth as the gentle rain of heaven upon the place beneath. It is twice blessed. It blesseth him that takes and him that give. It is mightier in the mightiest. It becomes a throned monarch better than the force of his sceptered crown. His

crowns shows the force of temporal power, but mercy is above this sceptered crown. It is enthroned in the heart of God. O! Anglo-Saxon's therefore give us mercy.

Yet I doubt not thro the ages one increasing purpose runs, and the thoughts of men are broadened by the process of the Sun. O! Anglo-Saxon's be not drunk with power. Some day all thy vaunted pomp will be a dream of ages past. Where is Babylon's dazzling powers? All have perished. The flowers of Athens' beautiful temples have faded. Silent are the tumultuous victories of Alexander. The grandeur of the Eternal City and the all conquering glory of Rome's Imperial Eagles are sunk forever beneath the wreck of time. The Money God is King. Wealth buys its power at the altar box.

Gold weights in the scale of Justice. Awake to thy duty Anglo-Saxon Race and remember that Justice to the Negro Race is but a part of the grand unfolding plan of God himself. Do not go tottering in Rome's footsteps over the precipice of corruption. Forget thy wealth. Forget thy glory. But never dare to forget that God who lives and loves. One God, one law, one element.

And one far off divine event, to which the whole creation moves.

THE NEGRO EXHIBIT'S \$100,000.

A Clear and Explicit Statement from Secretary-Treasurer Hilyer Showing How the Government's Money is Being Expended. Every Dollar Scrupulously Accounted For.

Norfolk, Va., April 23.—In response to what is believed to be a very general desire to know how the appropriation of \$100,000 that was made by Congress to aid the colored people to make an exhibit to their progress in this country is being spent, Mr. Andrew P. Hilyer, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Executive Committee, having charge of the expenditure of this fund, has authorized the following statement:

"The Executive Committee took charge of this work on the 14th of January last. After spending several days in going over and disposing of the accumulated correspondence, examining and checking up the books and accounts and formulating a statement showing the outstanding obligations against the fund, it developed that the building could not be constructed for the \$20,000 that had been originally set aside for that purpose and that no responsible contractors could be found who were willing to undertake it for less than \$40,000. Accordingly a contract was made with Bolling & Everett, the colored contractors of Lynchburg, Va., and signed on the 6th of February for the construction of the building for that sum. Their contract does not include the architect's fees, the equipment for electric lighting and decoration of the building, which the Committee is planning to make very elaborate, nor the cost of partitions, booths and decorations within the building. It is estimated that these items and the cost of granolithic walks leading up to the building and of beautifying the grounds will cost at least \$15,000 additional. We shall consider ourselves fortunate if the cost of maintaining the building for seven months, cost of lighting, insurance on exhibits, maintaining guards, janitors and attendants and other necessary and incidental expenses can be kept under \$10,000. \$2,000 have been set aside for the preparation and distribution of an exhaustive report, showing the progress of the Negro race as exemplified at the Jamestown Exposition, \$1,500 for stationery, telegrams, printing, etc., \$1,500 for the award of prizes on certain classes of exhibits, a total of \$70,000, which amount is fixed and determined, leaving but \$30,000 to be expended in getting up the exhibit. Of this \$30,000 not less than \$10,000 had been already spent or contracted to be before the Committee took charge. The Executive Committee, therefore, will not have at its disposal to be expended in getting up the exhibition to exceed \$20,

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Eighteenth and Harrison Streets,
Kansas City, Mo., the only Colored Vaudeville House in the City.

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From this sum must be paid the salaries and traveling expenses of its employees while engaged upon the work of the exhibit; the cost of transporting the exhibits to and from Jamestown and the cost of installing the same in a way to make it attractive to the visitors.

"There is one thing that the exhibitor may be absolutely assured of and that is the Committee will see to it that a sufficiently large surplus will be kept on hand to pay for the return of all exhibits to their proper owners. No matter what other interest or feature may have to cut it is the determination of the Committee to see to it that all material loaned to it for the exhibit is safely returned."

"I have been employed in the auditor's office for more than 21 years and have introduced in our system of records and bookkeeping the same system that is in force in the Treasury Department. The money is being disbursed by a disbursing officer of the Treasury by checks, under the rules and regulations governing the disbursement of all government appropriations, upon proper vouchers, when approved by the Ter-Centennial Commission. There must be a clear and explicit statement covering every essential detail about every item of expenditure. While all expenditures are under the control of the Committee, we do not disburse one cent of this fund. As this is a public appropriation, I am keeping my books and records open and intend to make the method by which this Executive Committee has expended and account for this appropriation one of the important exhibit features of the Exposition, and any one coming to Jamestown can see for himself just how every dollar of this fund has been expended."

"It will be seen from the foregoing statement that the amount at the disposal of the Committee for exhibit purposes is very small and the Committee will greatly appreciate every lover of his race who will do something to aid the Negro exhibit without being paid."

Mr. Editor:—Will you kindly insert the foregoing in your column, and oblige.

Executive Committee,
Jamestown Negro Exhibit.

THE BLACK DIAMOND DEVELOPMENT

A CANVASS FOR 15,000 SUBSCRIBERS TO THE RISING SON.

This paper is about to make a canvass for 15,000 subscribers. These things must be borne in mind. That we must keep every subscriber that we have, and every day redouble our efforts for more patrons. Again every Preacher and School Teacher in this city should assist us. Every subscriber should make his personal business to see that every one of their friends take the paper. Every business Negro should have it on sale at his place of business. Every Negro should contribute their share toward the support of the paper. All the young men on the staff should be encouraged. Every Negro citizen should have a word of praise for this paper and should on all occasions praise its publication.

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PRESIDENT ALLEN IS RE-ELECTED

Negro Politicians and Professors Must Now Lay Down Their Fight.

The Jefferson City Tribune and other dailies of the city contained the following on Tuesday, April 23.

"The board of regents of Lincoln Institute held a meeting her Monday and re-elected President B. F. Allen for another term of two years. This is a splendid endorsement of the work of Prof. Allen, as the head of this leading Negro educational institution in the United States."

This reelection comes to President Allen as a special honor, for it is the first time in the history we have been able to learn, that a president has been elected to succeed himself several months before the close of or the scholastic year.

The many friends and admirers of President Allen in Missouri and throughout the country rejoice

with him and congratulations are being showered upon him by members of both races, by members of his faculty and students. The entire race should be proud of the man who has brought Lincoln Institute to the front in numbers, equipment, and all that goes to make up a great educational institution.

Preparations for commencement goes on apace and all friends of education are invited to be present.

The Baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Samuel Bacote, D. D., of Kansas City, address to the religious bodies by Rev. Dr. Cook of St. Louis; to the Literary societies by Professor C. C. Hubbard of Sedalia; to Sophomore normal graduating class by Professor C. G. Williams of Booneville.

per day. It Success is Made. It has contracted for the sale of all its Gas. It has contracted for 23 more Wells. It now owns 620 Acres of Gas Leases. The Pipe Line will be finished April 20th. Kansas City will soon be burning BLACK DIAMOND Gas. Dividends will be paid on \$1.00 (PAR) for every share you own not less than 5 per cent. There were 10 stockholders Oct. 24, 1905. There are over 500 now. There are but a few Shares for sale. There will never be another Share for sale by the Company. Conclusion: Buy Now or Never. Stock 50 cents per Share.

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Write Dr. A. W. Williams, 2840 State St., Chicago.

THE JENKIN'S SONS PLAYED.

Great Ball—Lexington Tigers Went Down to a Gallant Defeat.

Thousands of Negroes witnessed the battle royal at the Baseball park Sunday. The Jenkins Ball Team of this city administered a crushing defeat to the Strong Lexington Tiger Team. The score was 7 to 5, and a well earned 7. The Lexington team began battling the Jenkins' pitcher all over the field. After the first inning of arms, legs and general exertion they were leading by a score of 4 to 1. There was over two thousand dollars up on the game. It was at this critical period that the Jenkins' pitcher settled down, and allowed only one more run to be scored. One of the main features of the game was the great playing of the McCampbell Bros. Earnest and Tom. Earnest making a sensational play at second, and Tom doing some remarkable stick work. Never before in the history of ball play had the Jenkins' ever had a triple made on them. Tom Starnman as he always does played a strong uphill game. Arthur Pullum did great work behind the bat. After a time the Jenkins made one each in two innings, and finally in the 3rd making two which gave a total of seven runs. Every body was well satisfied with the game and got their money's worth.

QUERY BOX ANSWER.

Mr. Wm. T. Washington, Kansas City, Mo.,

Dear Sir:—

Fortunately I have been receiving copies of "The Rising Son" for some time, and I am well pleased with its news and editorials.

I see in the Query Box of the Son, this question: "Why is it that Negroes do not support their Newspaper?" If you should come to our city and ask the question perhaps you would receive various answers. I have one incident to relate to you, because you are a Newspaper man.

The owner and publisher of the National Mirror, a Negro paper published in your city, came to this place about two months ago, and secured a number of cash subscriptions from

the Negroes and white business men. We used our influence in their behalf, because we felt the need of a Negro Newspaper.

Thus far we have received two copies of the paper, and with no explanations from the publishers. Now, it would be a great task for the representative of any Negro paper to obtain subscribers here. And don't you think we have cause to be careful? Do you know anything about the "Mirror"? Has it gone into the hands of a receiver?

We would like to know, you may publish this in the Son if you like. I have never met you, but have heard of you. I am in the government service here as Letter Carrier. My wife was a Clinkenshaw, perhaps you remember her. Now if you can give us any information about the "Mirror" we will feel grateful to you. Continue to send me the "Son."

Very truly yours,

CLYDE W. BLACK.

PROGRESS LODGE NO. 43 AND PROGRESS COURT NO. 5 GAVE A GRAND ENTERTAINMENT

MONDAY, APRIL, 29, 1907.

In spite of the rain the Knights of Pythias Hall was a well-laden success. This was due to the energetic efforts of members of the committee. Dr. J. E. Bibble, Chas. W. W. Dabney, Sec., and Mrs. Ridley, Treasurer, Mesdames Richard Browning, Lily Johnson, Mattie Myers, Hurd, Charles Greer, N. Marshall, Messrs. W. A. White, J. W. Myers, W. A. Dabney, D. H. Martin, W. C. Hieston and Fred W. Dabney. There was a hot contest for a diamond ring. The ladies selling the most tickets winning the contest. The contestants were Mrs. N. Marshall, Mrs. J. W. Myers, Mrs. R. Browning and Mrs. James Cowden. The prize was won by Mrs. James Cowden who sold \$90 worth of tickets; Mrs. R. Browning running second with \$63 worth. The entertainment was given for the purpose of increasing the Treasury Account of Progress Lodge and Progress Court and a neat sum was realized.

COMMITTEE.

Dr. J. E. Bibble, chairman; Mrs. F. W. Dabney, secretary; Mrs. Ridley, treasurer; Mrs. Richard Browning, Mrs. Lily Johnson, Mrs. Mattie Myers, Mrs. Hurd, Mrs. Chas. Greer, Mrs. N. Marshall; Messrs. W. A. White, John W. Myers, W. A. Dabney, D. H. Martin, W. C. Hieston and Fred W. Dabney.

The Knights of Pythias are trying to raise enough money to pay for the uniforms for the young men of the Juvenile division. The people belonging to these Lodges should take pleasure in helping to raise the amount.

C. H. Johnson the Tomb Stone engraver is doing great work for the Negro in his line.